

Integrated Justice in Washington State June 1-4, 2004

Activity in the JIN Program Office

Activities this week centered on field research to help make the case for JIN in the Board's September report to the Legislature and on the pursuit of a recently announced federal grant opportunity.

Summary Offender Profile

The Douglas County pilot group has been actively using the application, and Steve Clem and I are tentatively slated to give a report and demonstration at the upcoming Board Meeting.

Although they have been issued credentials for the system, none of the Thurston County users have yet been active. I have called all of them and offered to get them started, but none of this week's phone messages have been returned.

JIN Proof of Concept

Because DIS needed their server back, the Equarius /Microsoft Proof of Concept is slated for imminent dismantling, instead of as originally scheduled in August. I will demonstrate the project to the Traffic Records Committee on June 7 using screen prints from the May Board meeting.

The second JIN proof of concept—which will exchange information related to a *Failure to Appear* among Seattle Municipal Court, the Department of Licensing and the Administrative Office of the Courts—is scheduled for installation and testing next week. I am hoping to be able to provide a demonstration at the next Board meeting.

Miscellaneous

- ? I met with Board designees Scott Blonien (ATG) and Paul Beckley (WSP) to discuss strategic planning issues (most importantly the future site and character of the Program Office) related to JIN and the legislative process.
- ? I spent 1½ days observing and interviewing staff at the WSP Criminal Records Division and the LESA Records Management Division. I think that spending some time in the field with the people who are using justice information to do their job will help me to better understand the ways in which information sharing projects can produce the greatest results. My preliminary observations are that state and local memebrs of the justice community are making steady progress with limited resources.
- ? I collaborated with Bill Forth of DOL on a possible submission for the recently announced DHS grant for information sharing. The proposal would develop a Webbased platform to enable DOL to electronically receive criminal conviction and commitment information from the courts; completed pistol transfer forms from firearms dealers; and Concealed Pistol Licenses from law enforcement agencies, all of which are required by law. I believe that the project is an excellent candidate for funding and hope that the Board will endorse its submission.
- ? I met with Cammy Webster, DIS to discuss the imminent demise of the Equarius Proof-of-Concept and the future of Summary Offender Profile and its progeny.